Half-Day Sessions the Rule-Will

Petition Commissioners.

The first regular meeting of the

The first session of the public kinder-

part of the public school system and the children may attend free of charge. It

The association also declared its de-

## NEW MUSICAL COMEDY SCORES AT NATIONAL

"The Maid and the Mummy" a Popular Success. Needs Judicious Trimming.

"Eternal City" Well Acted---"King Dodo" a Hit --- Vaudeville and "King Dodo" Scores a Decided Hit. Other Bills.

A large audience, laughing almost incessantly, and applauding whenever it could make opportunity, testified last night at the National Theater to the popular favor of "The Maid and the Mummy." The critic looked on the offering with just the indulgence he has extended to a dozen other musical comedies and no more. But his associates in the theater, from the whistling boys in the gallery to the less demonstrative auditors in the front row of the orchestra chairs, were manifestly delighted. Title and substance are not closely related in this work. There is much maid and little mummy. But the constituents of musical comedy, as they have evolved from about ten years' development, are all offered in abundance—a chorus of really beautiful young women, artistically and richly costumed; attractive scenery, illuminated by a dozen calciums; a long series of jokes, many of them new, an unusual number of them good, and nearly all of them subject to classification as "racing jokes," "divorce court jokes," and "poker jokes;" and a cast of half a dozen comedians and two or three charming women.

Local Gags and Good Music.

Book and lyrics are by Richard Carle, whose appearance in Washington last scason as "The Tenderfoot" led local playgoers to anticipate very much what

playgoers to anticipate very much what they are to receive. The dialogue is they are to receive. The dialogue is that of a man who has tried audiences and knows them well. It is interlarded with "gags." Everything local to the District of Columbia, from the new filtration plant to the theoretical somnambulance of Alexandria is levied upon for speech or song. And the audience likes it. Out of perhaps fifty such "gags" last night not one missed fire, and the jokes which had intrinsic wit or humor were received with comparative indifference. Mr. Carle has himself explained that the work is "netther a light or a comic opera, musical or farcical comedy, burlesque or extravaganza," and so it is not fafr to look deeply into his plot. There is one, but it does not interfere with any of the local "gags." Mr. Carle also appears as the composer of three songs, none of them being in the least noteworthy.

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oteworthy. The real music of the work is by Rob-rt Hood Bowers, from whom discrim-nating theatergoers may anticipate much pleasure. Held down to the line of characteristic musical comedy by the ibrettist he has been able nevertheless o offer half a dozen ingenious and happy melodies, several admirable cho-ruses, and a whole evening of sulendid nappy melodies, several admirable choruses, and a whole evening of splendid orchestration. It ought to be said that even Mr. Carle's three compositions are beautifully arranged. Whatever young Mr. Bowers does in the future—unless his limitations are sharper than even those of "The Maid and the Mummy"—will give pleasure to musician and amusement-seeker alike.

Two Washington Girls Shine. In the cast two Washington girls are

ispicuous-May Boley and Adele Rowfeminine cleverness and the latter most of the beauty. Miss Boley's song, "The Saleslady, "is worth the price of ad-galeslady," is worth the price of ad-mission alone. It is "sixty laughs to the minute." Miss Rowland has rather a subjective role, wherein she wears pretty frocks, dances gracefully and sings sweetly. Both these Washington-lans were warmly greeted and heartily amblanded.

riper years. His art is mellowed by invaluable experience, and intensified by the rare gift of a remed intellect and singular personal charm. His picture of the Pope was like an exquisite cameo, so clear cut and thoroughly lifelike. In W. E. Bonney the audience found an actor of much strength. He gave a most satisfactory delineation of the Italian artisan and revolutionist whose devotion to his friend and whose faith in his wife no calumny, however artfully presented, could undermine. The other minor parts were in conscientious hands.

### LAFAYETTE

Opera Will Sung.

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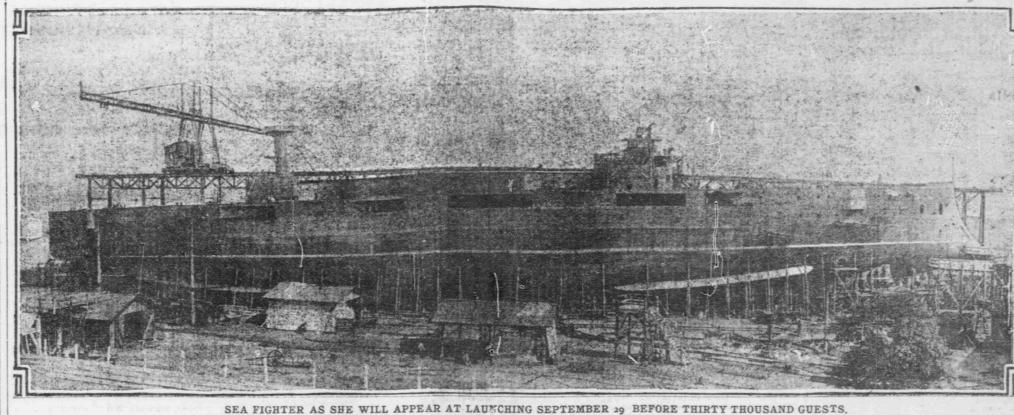
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ast two Washington girls are us—May Boley and Adele Rower former supplies most of the cleverness and the latter most inty. Miss Boley's song, "The claborate Broadway "coon" style. Their singing is good, their dancing better, and their ampsing and cancing act, costumed in the elaborate Broadway "coon" style. Their singing is good, their dancing better, and their ampsing and cancing better and their ampsing and cancing better. All the same in the stage with Miss Refinington in a singing is good, their dancing better.

King Dodo needs no fountain of per

### CHASE'S.

## UNCLE SAM'S NEW AND POWERFUL BATTLESHIP CONNECTICUT



# MARINES WATCH THE CONNECTICUT

Keep Off Vandals and Those Brightwood Park Associa-Bent on Mischief.

The Naval Constructor, William H. Baxter, Has Charge of Work. Vast Responsibility.

tionary measure against accident or van-dallsm, two squads of marines were for the season was held last evening, placed last night on guard around the and the subject of schools was thornew battleship Connecticut, at the navy oughly discussed. yard, and the vessel will be illuminated

The big ship rests on the ways, which takes to itself considerable credit for its ave been greased, and the upsetting of share in bringing about its establish-single block of wood might send her ment. For two or three years past there has been a private kindergarten in the park, but this year it becomes a

In the fear that some malicious or misyard and send the ship splashing into the water ahead of time the construction department of the navy yard has asked to have her guarded.

Wine Dealers Disappointed.

Rear Admiral Frederick Rodgers, commandant of the navy yard, disappointed the agent of every wine house in the city by refusing all offers of a langer of wine to be used at the christen. bottle of wine to be used at the christen- Whitney Avenue and the District line,

Ing of the battleship.

When will be used at the launching, and since that year schools have been built as been washed off, and only a few officers ever will know what brand will be used.

When it was authoritatively announced.

## NO BONUSES CITIZENS DEMAND SCHOOL BUILDING FOR WORKMEN

tion Takes Up Subject. demns American System.

WINE FOR THE LAUNCHING ASK EIGHT-ROOM STRUCTURE DENOUNCED AS PERNICIOUS HUNTING FEVER IS NOW ON

Facilities Out That Way Overtaxed. ing Trades Called Another Blow at British Industry.

and Shipbuilding Trades Federation, which comprises twenty-four trades so far show that deer have not been so pientiful for twenty years. Saranac unions, has issued a report totally condemning the premium or bonus system, which was imported from the United States by an agreement between the every night until the launching on Sep-lember 29. garten had been held in the same hall which was imported from the United during the day, and the association States by an agreement between the States by an agreement between the Amaigamated Engineers and the Employers' Federation.

The system worked excellently in many engineering shops, including the royal dockyards, for which reason the employers sought to extend it to other

point and said that it must examine the sire for other additions to the school mittee was appointed for this purpose, pernicious and most degrading condition of employment in modern industrial history, namely, the taskwork system.

# \*DEER PLENTY IN NEW YORK STATE

English Federation Con- More Have Been Seen Than in Twenty Years.

Decision of Engineering and Shipbuild- Gunners Shoot at a Calf by Mistake. Venison Is a Drug.

SARANAC LAKE, Sept. 20 .- The report-LONDON, Sept. 20.—After an inquiry ed scarcity of deer, due, it was said, to the weather last winter, does not seem lasting several months, the Engineering to be borne out by the facts, for results

engineering shops, including the dockyards, for which reason the yers sought to extend it to other yers sought to extend it to other. The deer shooting fever is responsible for some queer antics on the part of amatein hunters. A party recently started out from Tupper Lake and had not gone far from the village when they imagined that they already saw a deer, so they blazed away. The animal did not run nor fall. After wasting considerable ammunition the hunters got near enough to discover a badly frightened calf.

As soon as the deer season opens and

EVA TANGUAY NOW A STAR

WHEN CONTRACTOR DIED

BEEF CONTRACT VOID

Duvall to the District Commissioners holds that the contract for furnishing beef to the District, awarded to Thomas T. Keane, cannot be executed with the T. T. Keane Company, which organiza-tion took up Mr. Keane's business shortly after his death. Keane died soon after the contract was

